

REGULAR MEETING WITH A PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

A Regular Meeting with a Public Hearing was held on Tuesday, April 22, 2025 at 6:30 P.M. at Sabula City Hall, 411 Broad Street, Sabula, Iowa.

The purpose of this public hearing is for the following: Adoption of the FY 25/26 Budget

The meeting was open to the public in City Hall.

Present: Dave Ward, Mike O'Hara, Teena Franzen. Absent: Jeremy Diercks. After being appointed, Erica Shoemaker joined the meeting

Others Present: Lynn Parker, Chief Nixon, Wendy Hoertz, Travis Woodhurst, Curt Marzofka, Dan Pfeiffer, Phil & Erica Shoemaker, Henry Kramer, Scott Hibbard, Lisa Hartman, Jeff & Candi Diercks, Sandra Kempter, Deb Thayer and John Mangler.

Mayor Hansen called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Public Hearing

M. O'Hara made a motion to open the public hearing; seconded by T. Franzen. All ayes. Motion carried.

Solicitation of comments for the Amendment of the FY 25/26 Budget- None received

T. Franzen made a motion to close the public hearing; seconded by M. O'Hara. All ayes. Motion carried.

Regular Council Meeting

M. O'Hara made a motion to open the regular council meeting; seconded by T. Franzen. All ayes. Motion carried.

Deletions – None

Citizen Concerns

Q: When will the garbage cans be put out on Lake and River Street A: They will be put out tomorrow

Q: When will the boat docks be put out A: We were planning on doing them this week

Consent Agenda

T. Franzen made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by M. O'Hara. All ayes, motion carried. Items on the consent agenda were: minutes 3/25/25, April claims, financial statement and expenditure/revenue report for March, cigarette license for K & J's Hop 'n Shop.

Agenda

Resolution #1355, Appointment to Fill A Vacancy

M. O'Hara made a motion to appoint Erica Shoemaker; seconded by T. Franzen. Ayes: M. O'Hara and T. Franzen. Nay: D. Ward. Motion passed. Clerk Parker swore E. Shoemaker in and she took her seat.

Resolution #1352, FY 25/26 Budget

Motion was made by T. Franzen made a motion to approve Resolution #1352, Approval of FY 25/26 Budget; seconded by D. Ward. Ayes: T. Franzen, D. Ward, and M. O'Hara. E. Shoemaker abstained. Motion carried.

Resolution #1353, Appointment of Clerk

Mayor Hansen suggested to re-appoint Clerk Parker. T. Franzen made a motion to approve Resolution #1353, Appointment of Clerk Lynn Parker; seconded by D. Ward. All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution #1354, Appointment of Police Chief

Mayor Hansen suggested to re-appoint Chief Nixon. T. Franzen made a motion to approve Resolution #1354, Appointment of Police Chief Evan Nixon; seconded by E. Shoemaker. All ayes. Motion carried.

Sale of Property

T. Franzen made a motion to not sell the property at 515 Pearl Street; seconded by E. Shoemaker. Ayes: T. Franzen, E. Shoemaker, and M. O'Hara. Nay: D. Ward. Motion carried.

Tractor

D. Ward had this item placed on the agenda. He stated that we should sell the Massey Ferguson 4710 Tractor, to free up some money and buy something else. T. Franzen made a motion to sell the tractor; seconded by D. Ward. All ayes. Motion carried.

Health Insurance Renewal

T. Franzen made a motion to approve the BCBS renewal for employee health insurance for FY25/26; seconded by M. O'Hara. All ayes. Motion carried.

Special Building Permit

D. Ward made a motion to approve the special building permit for Jeff & Candi Diercks, 614 River Street; seconded by T. Franzen. All ayes. Motion carried.

Special Building Permit

M. Cotton had asked about a building permit and in this conversation, T. Woodhurst told him that a permit was not needed due to what he described. M. Cotton proceeded to build his porch swing. Once it was done, T. Woodhurst felt that it was out of specs which then made it a special permit and needed to be approved by council. D. Ward made the motion to approve the special building permit; seconded by M. O'Hara. Aye: 0 Nay: D. Ward, M. O'Hara, T. Franzen. Abstain: E. Shoemaker. Mayor suggested council give direction on possible action. M. O'Hara made the motion to follow the ordinance and do a civil infraction; seconded by D. Ward. Ayes: M. O'Hara, D. Ward Nay: T. Franzen. E. Shoemaker abstained due to being a family member. Motion passed.

Scarifying Rake Purchase

T. Woodhurst asked council if they would approve the purchase of a scarifying rake for use on the beach. A discussion was had regarding the use of the equipment and what we would use it for. M. O'Hara is concerned that we will buy something that won't work. The City will continue to see what else is out there and look at options.

Derelict Properties

A discussion was had regarding derelict properties. Council decided to make this a priority at a work session.

Rural Postal Route

M. O'Hara made a motion to wait for a response from Julie Messerich regarding changing the rural route for the postal service; seconded by E. Shoemaker. All ayes. Motion carried.

Police Items

Police Report

51 miscellaneous calls, 96 officer-initiated calls, 0 assisted with the ambulance/fire, 0 motor vehicle accidents, 10 assists with county or other agency, 6 requested assistance from other agency, 14 police citations issued, 1 arrest made, 0 pending cases for investigation, 10 warning given on miscellaneous violations, 2 cases that require further investigation, 8 reports taken. 147 police events.

T. Franzen made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by M. O'Hara. All ayes. Motion carried.

Troy Hansen, Mayor

Lynn Parker, City Clerk